SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL

Franchise Tax Board

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Related Bills: See Prior Analysis	Telephone: 845-3410	Amended Date:07/02/98
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SUBJECT: Research Expenses Cre Formula	dit/Conform Alternative Incr	emental Credit to Federal
DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggestions of previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended		
AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.		
AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended		
FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.		
X DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO Support.		
 X REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL AS AMENDED March 19, 1998, STILL APPLIES. X OTHER - See comments below. 		
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SUMMARY OF BILL		
This bill would eliminate the provisions that make the state alternative		
incremental research expenses credit a reduced percentage of the federal credit amount, so that the federal percentages also would apply for state purposes.		
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT		
The July 2, 1998, amendments technically clarifies that <u>written</u> consent of the department is required to revoke an election by the taxpayer for the alternative incremental credit. Except for the position noted below, the department's analysis of the bill as amended March 19, 1998, still applies.		
BOARD POSITION		
Support.		
At its May 28, 1998, meeting the Franchise Tax Board voted 2-0 to support this bill, with the representative from Department of Finance absent.		
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